

SENATE BILL NO. 274—SENATOR SHAFFER

MARCH 13, 2003

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Eliminates requirement that driver and passenger of motorcycle being driven on highway wear protective headgear. (BDR 43-993)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; eliminating the requirement that the driver and passenger of a motorcycle being driven on a highway wear protective headgear; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** NRS 486.231 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 486.231 1. The Department shall adopt standards for
3 ~~protective headgear and~~ protective glasses, goggles or face shields
4 to be worn by the drivers and passengers of motorcycles and
5 transparent windscreens for motorcycles.
6 2. Except as *otherwise* provided in this section, when any
7 motorcycle ~~[, except a trimobile or moped,]~~ is being driven on a
8 highway, the driver and passenger shall wear ~~protective headgear~~
9 ~~securely fastened on the head and~~ protective glasses, goggles or
10 face shields meeting those standards. ~~Drivers and passengers of~~
11 ~~trimobiles shall wear protective glasses, goggles or face shields~~
12 ~~which meet those standards.~~
13 3. When a motorcycle ~~for a trimobile~~ is equipped with a
14 transparent windscreen meeting those standards, the driver and
15 passenger are not required to wear *protective* glasses, goggles or
16 face shields.



1 4. When a motorcycle is being driven in a parade authorized by
2 a local authority, the driver and passenger are not required to wear
3 the protective devices provided for in this section.

4 5. When a three-wheel motorcycle ~~[]~~ on which the driver and
5 passengers ride within an enclosed cab ~~[]~~ is being driven on a
6 highway, the driver and passengers are not required to wear the
7 protective devices required by this section.

8 **Sec. 2.** NRS 486.241 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 486.241 1. A person shall not sell, offer for sale or distribute
10 any protective ~~[headgear.]~~ glasses, goggles or face shields for use by
11 any drivers or passengers of motorcycles or transparent windscreens
12 for motorcycles unless the equipment is of a type and specification
13 meeting the standards therefor adopted by the Department.

14 2. The provisions of this section do not prohibit the sale of
15 protective ~~[headgear.]~~ glasses, goggles or face shields which comply
16 with the rules and regulations adopted by the United States
17 Department of Transportation.

